

SS HCS HB 137 -- COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR FEE OFFICES

This bill prohibits the Commissioner of the Office of Administration from awarding points on a request for proposal for a contract license office to a bidder for a return-to-the-state provision offer. The Director of the Department of Revenue must follow the bidding procedures provided by law and establish the rules necessary to implement the procedures.

Specified 501(c)(4) federally tax exempt organizations may be given priority in the competitive bidding process with special consideration granted to organizations that reinvest at least 75% of net proceeds in Missouri charitable organizations.

The St. Louis Convention Center is granted an exemption from open records law in Chapter 610, RSMo, commonly known as the Sunshine Law, for financial documents, leases, and specified contracts involving convention centers owned by the municipality in order to prevent unfair competition in bidding for projects. The Open Meetings and Records Law, commonly known as the Sunshine Law, will continue to apply to professional sport franchise agreements and specified leases.

The bill contains an emergency clause.